RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

OK TO ENTER: /V.S./ (04/01/2009)

MAR 2 4 2009

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

SIPS et al.

Confirmation:

8981

Serial No.:

10/502,082

Art Unit:

1794

Filed:

July 22, 2004

Examiner:

V. Stuli

For:

STARCH N-ALKENYL SUCCINATE

AS TEXTURIZING AGENT FOR

UHT TREATED PRODUCTS Att

Attny Dkt: 7393/84061

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22314

March 25, 2009

Sir:

Kindly enter the Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed January 8, 2009, and consider the accompanying remarks, as indicated below:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 2 4 2009

PTO/SB/97 (02-09)
Approved for use through 03/31/2009. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of Information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office March 24, 2009 on Date Roseanna Kaplan Typed or printed name of person signing Certificate 202-419-7000 Telephone Number Registration Number, if applicable Note: Each paper must have its own certificate of transmission, or this certificate must identify each submitted paper. Amendment in Serial No. 10/502,082 (Docket No. 7393-84061)

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.8. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.8 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Tradement Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450. Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTQ-9199 and select option 2.